इंडियन एयरलाइन्स की नगरीय सेवायें

2582. श्री [illegible] : वय नागर **विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री** 3-8-88 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 930 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इंडियन एयरलाइन्स की स्वीकृत नगरीय सेवाओं के अनुरूप वायुयान उपलब्ध न होने के फलस्वरूप विमानों के निर्धारित समय से अत्याधिक विलम्ब से पहुंचने की शिकायतें बनी हुई हैं ; और

(ख) खरीदे जाने वाले विमानों की अनुमानित लागत कितनी है ?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री मोती लाल वोरा) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) यातायात की मांग को पूरा करने के लिए इंडियन एयरलाइन्स 1989-90 के दौरान 1142.23 करोड़ रुपए के विदेशी मुद्रा अंश सहित 1238.37 करोड़ रुपए की अनुमानित लागत की खरीद पर, 19 एयरबस ए-320 विमान प्राप्त करेगी । अनुमानित लागत में 19 एयरबस ए-320 विमान, (फालतू इंजन), फालतू पुर्जे, भू-सहायक उपस्कर सिमुलेटर और प्रशिक्षण सहायक शामिल है ।

2583. [Transferred *to the Wth Sept,,* 1988).

Death due to smoking

2584. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that tobacco used in Indian cigarettes and bidis is far inferior in quality than that used in western cigarettes;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the death toll per week from smoking is likely to be higher than that reported for U.K.: and

(c) whether any survey has been made on death due to smoking in the country, indicating whether these are notified?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) The available data indicate that tar and nicotine content of Indian cigarettes and bidis is higher than in Western Countries.

(b) No comparative data is avail able to say that death toll per week from smoking in India is higher than in U.K. However, it is estimated thai about 8 lakhs people die every yeat due to tobacco-related diseases in the country.

(c) No country-wise survey of smoking trends has been carried ou so far. However, the Tata Institut of Fundamental Research, Bombay conducted surveys on tobacco habit in the districts of Ernakulam (Kera Ia), Srikakulam (Andhra Pradesh and Bhavnagar (Gujarat). As pe this survey, the prevalence of tobacc habit varied from 18 per cent—86 pe cent among males and 8 per cent to 6 per cent among females.

Dindigul to Madurai Broad-gauge lin

2585. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will th Minister of RAILWAYS he pleased t state:

(a) what is the progress of wor on broad-gauge line between Dindigi to Madurai; and

(b) when it would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE O THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (c 16 per cent.

(b) Its completion will depend c availability of resources in tho comir years.

Broad gauge rail tint between Mad rai and ManSachi

2586. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will t Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased state:

(a) whether it is a fact that t plan for broadgauge- line betwe